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In re the application of

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For: LINEAR ABLATION ASSEMBLY

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
AND ELECTION OF SPECIES
REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action mailed August 21, 2002, in the above-referenced application, the Examiner required an election and restriction to one of the following species:

Species I in Figures 1-5.

Species II in Figures 6 & 7.

Species III in Figures 8-10.

Species IV in Figures 11 & 12.

Species V in Figures 13-14B.

Species VI in Figures 15 & 16.

Species VII in Figure 17.

Species VIII in Figures 18 & 19.

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Species IX in Figures 20-22, 25A-29.

Species X in Figures 23-24.

In response to this restriction and election requirement, Applicants hereby elect the species of Figures 1-5 to prosecute claims 22-24 to read on the elected.

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